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SUBJECT: SURFACE SHIPMENT OF HHE AND MATERIALS FOR LOS
CONFERENCE VIA VENEZUELAN PORTS

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1. REFTTEL IRONICALLY NOTING SHIPMENT OF 500 COPIES OF PAMPHLET
"ECONOMY OF THE SEA" BY SURFACE TO VENEZUELA CAUSES
US ONCE MORE TO REMIND DEPARTMENT AND PARTICULARLY LOS DELEGATION
THAT SHIPMENTS BY SURFACE TRANSPORT ARE LIABLE EITHER NOT TO REACH
VENEZUELA AT ALL OR TO BE SO DELAYED AT LA GUAIRA AND PUERTO
CABELLO AS NOT TO BE PROCESSED THROUGH CUSTOMS IN TIME TO BE OF
USE. THERE ARE AT PRESENT SOME 25 SHIPS AT ANCHOR OFF PUERTO
CABELLO WAITING TO DISCHARGE AND 17 SHIPS OFF LA GUAIRA. IN
FACT,
ONE RECENT PRUDENTIAL GRACE VESSEL WAS ORDERED BY GOV TO DISCHARGE
AT HIGHERTO UNKNOWN AND UNUSED PORT NEAR CUMANA IN THE FAR
EASTERN END OF VENEZUELA.

2. GIVEN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, AND PARTICULARLY IF MATERIALS
ARE BEING SHIPPED FOR USE OF U.S. DELEGATION TO LOS CONFERENCE,
WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND TRANSPORT BY AIR.
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